

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 04-1636

Ronnie E. Johnson,

Appellant,

v.

Floyd E. Emerson, Sr.; Vickie D.
Gilliam; Walter E. Hussman, Jr.;
The Sentinel-Record, Inc.; Palmer
Newspaper Group; Wehco Media, Inc.;
Williams & Anderson, LLP; Jess
Askew, III; John Does, 1-10; Jane
Does, 1-11; John Does, 1-11,

Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States
District Court for the
Western District of Arkansas.

[UNPUBLISHED]

Submitted: October 7, 2004
Filed: October 15, 2004

Before WOLLMAN, McMILLIAN, and RILEY, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Ronnie E. Johnson (Johnson) appeals the district court's¹ dismissal of his civil complaint brought under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961-1968. Having carefully reviewed the record, see Gardner v. First Am. Title Ins. Co., 294 F.3d 991, 993 (8th Cir. 2002), we conclude the dismissal was appropriate, and an extended discussion is not warranted. To the extent Johnson is appealing the denial of his motion for appointment of counsel, we conclude the district court did not abuse its discretion. See Stevens v. Redwing, 146 F.3d 538, 546 (8th Cir. 1998).

Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

¹The Honorable Robert T. Dawson, United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, adopting the report and recommendations of the Honorable Bobby E. Shepherd, United States Magistrate Judge for the Western District of Arkansas.